

therefrom, the base [being made from a mixture of] comprising a polyolefin and a filler, the [mixture] base comprising from about 30 to about 75 wt.% filler and from about 25 to about 70 wt.% polyolefin, the filler [includes] including a high aspect ratio filler and a low aspect ratio filler, the high aspect ratio filler having an aspect ratio of at least about 5:1 and the low aspect ratio filler having an aspect ratio of less than about 3:1, the filler comprising at least 50 wt.% of the low aspect ratio filler.

2. (Once Amended) The container of claim 1, wherein the container further comprises a lid, the lid having a top wall and a continuous lid wall, the lid wall encompassing the top wall and extending downwardly therefrom, the lid [being made from a mixture of] comprising a polyolefin and a filler, the [mixture] base comprising from about 30 to about 75 wt.% filler and from about 25 to about 70 wt.% polyolefin, the filler [includes] including a high aspect ratio filler and a low aspect ratio filler, the high aspect ratio filler having an aspect ratio of at least about 5:1 and the low aspect ratio filler having an aspect ratio of less than about 3:1, the filler comprising at least 50 wt.% of the low aspect ratio filler.

15. (Once Amended) The container of claim 1, wherein the [mixture] base comprises from about 35 to about 65 wt.% filler and from about 35 to about 65 wt.% polyolefin.

16. (Once Amended) A container comprising a base having a bottom wall and a continuous base wall, the continuous base wall encompassing the bottom wall and extending upwardly therefrom, the base [being made from a mixture of] comprising a polyolefin and a filler, [wherein] the filler [includes a mixture of] comprising from about 20 to about 50 wt.% talc and from about 50 to about 80 wt.% calcium carbonate.

20. (Once Amended) A container comprising a base having a bottom wall and a continuous base wall, the continuous base wall encompassing the bottom wall and extending upwardly therefrom, the base [being made from a mixture of] comprising a polymer and a filler, [wherein]